# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# POWER
# LOK SABHA

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POWER PROJECTS IN COASTAL AREAS
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**Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government is working on developing a comprehensive scheme to create a chain of power stations along the coastline of the country;

(b) if so, whether any decision has been taken for setting up of power stations at coastal areas in Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Maharashtra; and

(c) if so, the extent to which the Government is hopeful of getting good results from these power stations?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER ( SHRI P.M. SAYEED )

(a) to (c) : Yes, Sir. Development of coastal power projects has been identified as a thrust area as these sites can have easy accessibility to imported coal and availability of abundant sea water for cooling purposes in the power projects. In the regional meetings held with the States, all the coastal states including Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Maharashtra have been asked to draw up an action plan for development of coastal power projects.